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Bedford County Nursing Home Statement on Release of CMS Data on COVID-19 Cases

Paul Poff, Bedford County Nursing Home (BCNH) Administrator issued the following statement in response to data released today by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on cases of COVID-19 in nursing homes:

"I want to reassure the residents, families, and staff of Bedford County Nursing Home that we remain without any cases of COVID-19 in the facility among residents or staff."

"The information about BCNH reflected in the CMS data set released on June 4 is clearly in error. We are working to correct the data so that it accurately reflects our situation."

"Our goal has always been to keep our residents safe and be able to open back up once it is safe to do so. We continue to adhere strictly to our policy to minimize the risk of exposure within the facility. I know it has been difficult not to visit your family and friends here at BCNH during the pandemic and understand your ability to visit enhances the resident's quality of life. I thank each of you for your support in our attempt to keep this nasty virus out of the facility."

"My hope is that each of us will continue to social distance, wash our hands frequently, disinfect our environments, stay at home whenever we can and please wear a mask when you have to go out so we all can stay safe."

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